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## Army Corps offers semi-guided archery deer hunts at Lake Sonoma

**HEALDSBURG, CALIF.** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in partnership with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Friends of Lake Sonoma will begin offering special semi-guided archery and crossbow deer hunts this season (Aug-September) at Lake Sonoma. This is a unique opportunity to hunt an area that has been closed to the public for nearly 25 years, and will help the park maintain a healthy deer population.

The semi-guided hunts will cost \$500 the first day and \$150 each day thereafter. Hunters will be permitted to camp in the Lake Sonoma Wildlife Area and will be briefed on camping conditions upon registering.

These special hunts are sponsored by the Friends of Lake Sonoma, with all proceeds supporting the park's recreation and educational missions. **The harvest level is limited to six bucks**, and hunters will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis. Those wishing to participate in the hunt are advised to E-mail the official hunt guide as soon as possible at: [inatriangle@yahoo.com](mailto:inatriangle@yahoo.com)

For further information regarding this hunt or any of our hunting programs, please contact the Lake Sonoma Visitor Center at (707) 431-4534.

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers promotes a wide range of wildlife management activities at Lake Sonoma from preserving endangered species to controlling populations of invasive animals like European wild boar through our hunting program. Offering these hunts allows the rangers to actively manage the parks deer population in a sustainable manner while providing hunting opportunities that are becoming harder to find on both public and private land. Again, all of the proceeds from the parks hunting activities are re-invested in the parks educational programs as well as improvements to the parks recreation and environmental stewardship efforts.

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